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**Abstract**

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1. The Kollegium of the East German Ministry of Foreign Affairs meets approximately once per week, usually on Wednesdays, in the office of Dr. Lothar Bolz, Minister of Foreign Affairs, in the office building of the Ministry, Berlin-Mitte (Soviet Sector), Luisenstrasse 56
2. The following individuals are members of the Kollegium and attend its regular meetings:
  - a. Peter Florin<sup>1</sup>, Chief, International Cooperation Department, SED Central Committee
  - b. Dr. Lothar Bolz<sup>2</sup>, Minister of Foreign Affairs
  - c. Georg Handke<sup>3</sup>, State Secretary, Ministry of Foreign Affairs
  - d. Frits Grosse<sup>4</sup>, Chief, Main Department I - Soviet Union and People's Democracies
  - e. Richard Gystner, Chief, Main Department II - Capitalist Countries
  - f. Wilhelm Meissner, Chief, Main Department III - Germany
  - g. Kurt Prozel, Chief, Main Department IV - Consular Matters
  - h. Wolfgang Kiesewetter, Acting Chief, Main Department V - Press and Information
  - i. Martin Bierbach, ~~and Party Secretary of the Ministry~~
  - j. Emil Rathmann, Chief, Personnel Department. Rathmann is only called upon to attend when there are personnel matters on the agenda.
3.  Comment: Florin is the most important in the Kollegium. He brings the orders from the Central Committee and has the final say on all matters.

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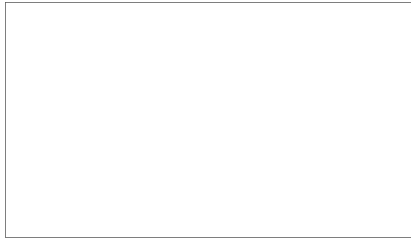
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2.  Comment: Bolz's personal Referent, Molt (fnn), is also occasionally called upon to attend the sessions if he is needed. 50X1-HUM

3.  Comment: Handke's personal Referent, Joachim Naumann, also attends if he is needed. 50X1-HUM

4.  Comment: Grosse, who is suffering from a kidney ailment and was absent from his post frequently during the three or four months previous to September 1954, is often represented at Kollegium meetings by Aenne Kundermann, who acts as Grosse's deputy in Main Department I. 50X1-HUM

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